REMARKS

Applicant has canceled claim 1 without prejudice and rewritten claims 2 and 3 into independent form. Applicant respectfully submits that these amendments to the claims are supported by the application as originally filed and do not contain any new matter. Accordingly, the Office Action will be discussed in terms of the claims as amended.

The Examiner has objected to claims 2-5 as containing allowable subject matter but dependent upon a rejected base claim. Applicant has amended claims 2 and 3 to make them independent and the remainder of the claims, namely claims 4 and 5, depend from claims 2 and 3. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that claims 2-5 are now allowable and Applicant accepts these allowed claims.

In view of the above, therefore, it is respectfully requested that this Amendment be entered, favorably considered and the case passed to issue.

Please charge any additional costs incurred by or in order to implement this Amendment or required by any requests for extensions of time to KODA & ANDROLIA DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 11-1445.

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